

# HELLO!

Once more I come to let you know that I haven't failed or made an assignment. This spring I am going to have more goods than ever before, and they won't be ANY HIGHER in price. They MIGHT be higher in quality. I can sympathize with the man who says that everything has increased. Even the family has increased, but not the salary. I try to practice what I preach.

"When a fellow thinks he's beaten,  
And he's feeling down and out,  
When he feels his courage oozing  
And his sand goes up the spout;  
When he starts to feeling lonely  
And he gets to feeling blue,  
That's the time you want to help him  
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### GARDEN SEED TESTING.

It is Important to Know Germinating Qualities of Stock.

As a rule, American gardeners pay very little attention to seed testing, depending mostly upon the seeds they buy as being strong and fresh. However, very often considerable quantities of seed are carried over from one season to another, and these are of more value than any new supplies, because we have proved them by actual cropping on our land and under our conditions. Hence it is very important to know the germinating qualities of such stock to avoid losses or delays.

There are several methods of seed testing in common use—placing seeds between layers of moist cloth, sowing in sand and sowing into ground. Each has its proper place and time. However, unless a test is carefully carried out it is worthless. Thus the operator must know the degree of heat and amount of moisture most suitable. The same treatment will not do for all. We must try to get as near as possible to natural conditions.

We must consider the season. Some seeds are very difficult to sprout in winter, and the nearer we approach their natural sprouting season the better the test, while others again refuse to sprout in great heat, such as the summer months. Thus we see a test made out of season may prove entirely worthless or, worse than that, very misleading.

During the winter months the sand test is the best, as seeds sprout more readily in clean sand than in moist earth, and the sand gives enough root action to allow us to judge of the strength of the young plants, which the moist cloth test does not permit. The depth at which seeds should be tested must be decided upon according to season. Thus in the dark winter months very little covering is permissible, while later on more covering is needed to allow for higher temperatures and rapid evaporation.—Gardening.

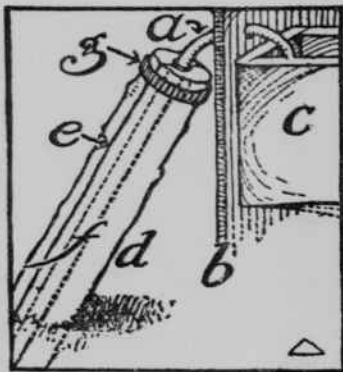
Talk things over with the hired man. It will help both you and him.

#### Value Loss of Silage Small.

One reason why cornfields should be turned into the silo is that dried fodder corn deteriorates rapidly and toward spring becomes hard, brittle and possesses little palatability. Silage loses much less than dry corn fodder and is always relished by the animals, summer or winter.

#### Protecting Pipes From Frost.

This diagram illustrates one way of protecting water pipes against frost. In the cut a is the pipe, b a partition through which the pipe runs, c the water tank, d the ground, e a wooden post and g an iron ring. In operation the post, which may be six to eight



METHOD OF PROTECTION.

inches in diameter, is split in the middle, as shown at e. The center is hollowed out slightly in each half, and into this space the pipe fits. The iron ring at g holds the halves firmly together. This protection might and probably would in actual practice continue on through the wall of the building. It could be arranged for by setting the pipe at a greater angle.—American Agriculturist.

Don't let two weeds grow this year where none grew before.

#### Poultry Pointers.

One-half teaspoonful of vaseline and ten drops of carbolic acid made into a soft paste with sulphur and rubbed on the sores is said to be a sure cure for sorehead or chicken pox.

Iron in some form makes a good tonic. What is called "the Douglass mixture" is used by many poultrymen. It is composed of sulphate of iron, eight ounces; sulphuric acid, one-half fluid ounce; water, one gallon. Dose, one gill in the drinking water for every twenty-five fowls.

Convenient coops for marketing the chickens will pay not only in the satisfaction that they afford, but in the greater convenience.

Nothing is gained in hardness by letting the chickens run out in the rain, snow or cold winds.

A thorough coating of whitewash with 3 per cent crude carbolic acid will settle the mite problem for the winter.

The cap sheaf of poultry culture is cleanliness. Cleanliness means that the poultry houses, yards and surroundings should be kept sanitary and fit for the fowls to live in.

Warm milk is an excellent feed for chickens that are sick or off feed. In fact, milk is one of the very best feeds for chickens of all kinds and at all times.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson IX.—First Quarter, For Feb. 26, 1911.

#### THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, I Kings xxi, 11-20. Memory Verses, 17-19—Golden Text, Luke xii, 15—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

In our last lesson Elijah was commissioned to anoint Elisha as prophet in his stead. He found him plowing with the twelfth of twelve yoke of oxen and cast his mantle upon him. Elisha bade farewell to his father and mother, prepared a feast for the people, cooking the flesh of a yoke of oxen with the instruments of the oxen, thus burning the bridge behind him, and went after Elijah and ministered unto him (chapter xix, 19-21), and we shall see a sequel to such whole heartedness in our next lesson.

The story of chapter xx we shall have for a lesson on March 19; therefore we pass it by for the present, and Elijah does not appear in it.

In the lesson of today we come to a story of the greatest possible cruel heartlessness on the part of Ahab and Jezebel, with a prediction of the doom of each from the Lord through Elijah, which was, like all the Lord's predictions, literally fulfilled.

A man called Naboth had a vineyard hard by the palace of Ahab, which the king coveted, as he said, for a garden of herbs because it was near his house. The king offered him the worth of it in money or a better vineyard in its stead, but Naboth refused to let the king have it, saying, "The Lord forbid it me that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee" (verse 3). It is refreshing to meet a man who seeks no favors from and has no fear of even a king.

What a contrast to Naboth is this despicable king, who, because he cannot have what he wants, goes home and to bed, turns away his face and will not eat! How contemptibly small some great men are, and how noble are some in lowly circumstances! A vineyard makes me think of the vine of John xv, and Naboth's clinging to the vineyard which was the inheritance of his fathers is in striking contrast to the readiness with which many preachers and teachers of today give up all that their fathers held dear concerning the true vine. May we prove ourselves abiding branches in the vine and jealously guard the vineyard from all evil ones, even though it cost our life or our position to do this.

The garden of herbs for which the king said that he wanted the vineyard brings to mind the saying concerning evildoers and workers of iniquity in Psalm xxxvii, 1-2, "They shall soon be cut down like the grass and wither as the green herb."

In Jezebel we see those who, like Herodias, do not scruple to take off the earth any one who happens to be in their way, true children of the devil, who has the power of death and was a murderer from the beginning (Heb. ii, 14; John viii, 44). "I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite" (verse 7) were her words to Ahab, as if she owned it and Naboth, too, and could do as she pleased. Her true lord and master, the devil, once said to the Lord Jesus as he showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them, "All these things will I give thee if thou wilt fall down and worship me" (Matt. iv, 8, 9). Because He would not worship him he proceeded to kill him, which he finally did.

So Jezebel proceeded forthwith to kill Naboth, which she did by means of two sons of Belial, who lied, like their father, and others who did her bidding, afraid not to, I suppose, lest they, too, might lose their lives at the hands of this murderer. Note their false accusations of Naboth. "He blasphemed God and the king." What an awful association of the living and true God with one who represented the devil, and yet when Jesus Christ was on earth, God manifest in the flesh, his enemies told Him that He had a devil (John vii, 20; viii, 52; x, 20). They also raised up false witnesses against Him who laid to His charge things that He knew not (Ps. xxxv, 11). We are still in an enemy's country and cannot expect better treatment than our Master received and must remember that all who live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution (II Tim. iii, 12).

With what seeming triumph Jezebel says to Ahab: "Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth, \* \* \* for Naboth is not alive, but dead" (verse 15). But the word of the Lord came again to Elijah with a message for Ahab and Jezebel: "Thus saith the Lord: In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine. \* \* \* The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel" (verses 19-23). And so it literally came to pass (23-28; II Kings ix, 30).

Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. Her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. How much she hath glorified herself and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her (Gal. vi, 7; Rev. viii, 5-7). What an epitaph upon these two, "Ahab, who did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up" (verse 25). How far from peaceful the manner of their death, but what about their condition ever since? The words of Luke xvi, 23-26; Rev. xiv, 10, 11, are fearfully suggestive.

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